

LOUISIANA TECHNOLOGY INNOVATION COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2001

Chairman Chad C. McGee called meeting to order. Roll call was taken and quorum established. Chairman McGee asked that Council members introduce themselves since there were new members. New member to the Council was Dom Cali, Department of Transportation and Development.

General handouts were given to all members which included legislation creating the Louisiana Technology Innovation Council, the updated proposal format to be followed when submitting applications, current listing of all proposals and recommendations (as of 10/31/01), balance sheet outlining total budget available to award and unexpended/unobligated cash (as of 11/1/01) and the Louisiana Technology Innovation Fund Annual Report (April, 2000).

Tom Burkes, Technical Advisor to the Council, discussed request from Greg Guzik with LSU, requesting an extension to LTIF Project #99-017 ("Training Today's Students for Tomorrow's Internet Work Environment"). Reason for extension was delay in receipt of auxiliary telescope and new components. Bob Harper made a motion to approve request, Jerry Guillot seconded. Request approved.

Dr. Ocsar Huh and Dr. Nan Walker with LSU, Howe-Russell Geoscience Complex are requesting 12-month extension for LTIF Project #99-016. Request for extension is to ensure that antenna hardware and software systems are fully operational and stable before the end of the contract period. They experienced problems with antenna previously and is still not fully operational. System has unresolved problems that they are working on and there have been unexpected delays in the delivery of some of the software components. Dr. Huh and Dr. Walker anticipate a balance of \$145,000 remaining in the project. They are requesting approval to use unused balance to acquire additional instruments and equipment to further enhance the uses of the satellite system. This was not included in the initial proposal due to the budget cap imposed. Bob Harper made a motion to approve request; Jerry Guillot seconded. Request approved.

C. McGee stated there were three proposals that have been submitted to date. Council members set date of November 15, 2001, 9 a.m. in HCR 2 to hear proposals.

With no further business, C. McGee made motion to adjourn, B. Harper seconded motion.

Meeting adjourned.